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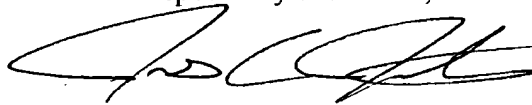
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Examiner Initial*	Pat./Serial Number	Date Filed/Issued	Class	Sub Class	Name
_____ 1	5,586,241	12/17/1996	395	167	Bauermeister et al.
_____ 2	5,684,510	11/4/1997	345	143	Brassell et al.
_____ 3	6,456,305	09/24/2002	345	800	Qureshi et al.
_____ 4	5,715,473	02/03/1998	395	805	Reed
_____ 5	5,754,873	05/19/1998	395	789	Nolan
_____ 6	4,387,622	06/14/1983	84	1.22	Deutsch
_____ 7	5,412,770	05/02/1995	395	142	Yamashita et al.
_____ 8	5,805,832	09/08/1998	395	752	Brown et al.
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_____ 21	4,884,225	11/28/1989	364	559	Fogarty et al.
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_____ 23	6,037,949	03/14/2000	345	430	DeRose et al.
_____ 24	6,373,489	04/16/2002	345	428	Lu et al.
_____ 25	6,441,846	08/27/2002	348	169	Carlbon et al.
_____ 26	6,778,698	08/17/2004	382	164	Prakash et al.
_____ 27	6,826,480	11/30/2004	702	3	Picone et al.
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_____ 29	6,992,671	01/31/2006	345	467	Corona
_____ 30	6,253,374	06/26/2001	717	11	Dresevic et al.
_____ 31	5,465,323	11/07/1995	395	123	Mallet

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_____ 32	2003/0208473	01/28/2000	707	3	Lennon
_____ 33	2005/0005261	07/02/2004	717	108	Severin
_____ 34	2001/0032029	02/20/2001	700	99	Kauffman
_____ 35	2004/0109592	11/18/2003	382	128	Bankman et al.
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The Examiner responsible for this case or one of the above-referenced cases of this IDS (Serial Nos. 10/764,745, 10/764,961, 10/764,787, 10/764,622) (Attorney docket nos. 14984.33, 34, 35 and 36) has indicated that these co-pending applications might be materially relevant for patentability and therefore need to be referenced in each of the other cases. To comply with the Examiner's requests, and out of an abundance of caution, we are referencing each of the art discovered in each of these cases in this corresponding IDS. It will be noted, however, that we do not necessarily agree with the Examiner that the above-identified co-pending applications are materially relevant for patentability inasmuch as they were filed on the same day and are not, therefore, prior art and because they do not present patentably indistinct claims. Nevertheless, out of an abundance of caution, these references are being submitted.

While the filing of Information Disclosure Statements is voluntary, the procedure is governed by the guidelines of Section 609 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. To be considered a proper Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 shall be accompanied by a copy of each listed patent or publication or other item of information and a translation of the pertinent portions of foreign documents (if an existing translation is readily available to the applicant), an explanation of relevance of each reference not in the English language, and should be submitted in a timely manner as set out in MPEP Sec. 609.

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